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Quarterly Summary Report
Reporting Period from May 1 through July 31, 1996
Bay Area Drum Facility RI/FS

Dear Ladies and Sir:

This Quarterly Summary Report is submitted on behalf of the Technical Committee of the Bay Area Drum Facility Ad Hoc PRP Group (Group) to meet the requirements of Section 6.3 of the Consent Order, Docket Number HSA 95/96-060, In the Matter of Bay Area Drum Site, issued by the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on March 14, 1996 (the Order). In accordance with Section 6.5 of the Order, this report is submitted to the DTSC, the Regional Water Quality Control Board - San Francisco Bay Region (RWQCB), and the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH), hereinafter collectively called the Agencies.

Actions Taken During the Reporting Period

The following actions were taken by or on behalf of the Group during the reporting period:

The Group held a project "kickoff" meeting with DTSC and RWQCB representatives on June 4, 1996, and a further technical discussion, planning, and progress reporting meeting with DTSC and RWQCB representatives on July 24, 1996.

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Mara Feeney, the Group's community relations consultant, worked with Carol Northrup, DTSC's Public Participation Coordinator, on developing a program and document list to update the contents of the community Information Repository and to maintain the Repository in future.

The Group submitted the Revised Public Participation Plan, the Groundwater Monitoring Work Plan, and the Baseline Risk Assessment Report, as scheduled by the Order. On the basis of Agency comments and discussions between the Agencies and the Group, revisions of the Revised Public Participation Plan and the Groundwater Monitoring Work Plan (including the related Site Health and Safety Plan) were prepared by and submitted to the Agencies by the Group. No substantive agency comments have been received on the Baseline Risk Assessment.

The DTSC approved the Groundwater Monitoring Work Plan in an August 26, 1996, letter from Karen Toth (DTSC) to Nicholas van Aelstyn (Heller, Ehrman, White & McAuliffe).

Actions Expected During the Next Three Months

The following actions are expected to be taken by or on behalf of the Group during the next three months:

The Group expects to receive initial DTSC comments on or approval of the May 15, 1996, Baseline Risk Assessment sometime during the next three months. The Group understands that a DTSC reviewer is in place for this document and that review is now underway.

The Group expects to receive additional DTSC comments on or approval of the July version of the Revised Public Participation Plan sometime during the next three months. The Group revised this document from the version submitted in May 1996 to reflect agreements reached between DTSC and the Group addressing DTSC comments on the earlier document.

The Group expects to receive DTSC approval of the revised Site Health and Safety Plan submitted to DTSC on August 8, 1996. The Group revised this document from the version submitted in May 1996 to reflect agreements reached between DTSC and the Group addressing DTSC comments on the earlier document.

No further deliverables or specific actions can be scheduled at this time. The schedule for future Group actions depends on feedback from the Agencies on the Group's May 15, 1996, deliverables.

Planned Activities for the Next Three Months

The following activities are expected to be conducted by or on behalf of the Group during the next three months:

The Group expects to develop and discuss with DTSC well-maintenance recommendations for the existing DTSC monitoring wells and piezometers, attempt to locate lost wells and piezometers, update available well and piezometer maps, and consult with DTSC to fill out the Group's collection of relevant technical reference documents related to the project.

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The Group, in consultation with the Agencies, expects to further develop the conceptual technical outline of remedial investigation activities that will lead to a prompt and cost-effective resolution of remaining technical issues identified in discussions between the Group and the Agencies.

Depending on the outcome of site access agreement negotiations and well ownership and maintenance negotiations, the Group may be able to perform a round of groundwater sampling and water level measurement at existing site wells.

No further activities can be definitely planned for the next three months without further discussions between the Group and the Agencies.

Uncompleted Order Requirements

No requirements of the Order that were scheduled to be fulfilled during the reporting period were not completed.

Problems with Order Compliance

No problems with order compliance are known or anticipated at this time.

Significant Data and Findings

The Group and the Agencies exchanged available information on existing well surveys, sewer construction details, and the status of nearby investigations including investigations at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard. No other significant data or findings were generated pursuant to the Order during the reporting period.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please contact Nicholas van Aelstyn, Esq., at (415) 772-6566 or Mr. David Soza at (713) 546-8214.

Yours very truly

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